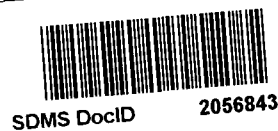




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Type of Interview:

In-Person

Date of Interview:

March 25, 2002

On March 25, 2002, the WITNESS was interviewed at (b) (6) by (b) (6) of Tri-State Enterprise. The WITNESS was interviewed as part of the potentially responsible party search currently being conducted under Work Assignment NO. ES-002 involving the Lower Darby Creek Area, Delaware County, PA (the "Site"). This interview focused on the Folcroft Landfill (Folcroft). The WITNESS was provided with a copy of the letter of introduction, advised of the nature of the questions to be asked and advised that the interview was voluntary. The WITNESS advised that he is represented by Cathleen Devlin, Esq., in this matter. This interview was not tape-recorded. The following individuals were also present during this interview.

- Brian Nishitani: Attorney for the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region III (USEPA).
- Cathleen Devlin: Attorney representing Waste Management Corporation and (b) (6)

During the course of this interview, the WITNESS responded to questions based on guidelines provided by the United States Environmental Protection Agency for former employees.

The WITNESS was shown a map of the Site and this map was used throughout the interview.

The WITNESS was asked to explain his association with the Site.

The WITNESS stated that he worked for the Tri-County Hauling at the Folcroft Landfill from (b) (6). He indicated that he was primarily a truck driver during the time he worked for Tri-County Hauling. He indicated that he also worked on the Landfill as a fill-in when needed. He indicated that he worked on the Landfill about one day a month and drove the front-end loader on the Landfill. The WITNESS explained that he used the front-end loader as a bulldozer to move the trash on the Landfill.

The WITNESS explained that Bernie McNickle was the "Boss" at the Landfill and Ed Mullen was the manager of the Landfill and Tri-County Hauling. The WITNESS stated that Ed Mullen would tell him when to work on the Landfill.

When asked the names of other individuals that worked on the Landfill, the WITNESS provided the following.

- Bobby Williams
- Henry Sanders: Deceased
- Joe Beigler
- Slim: Actual name unknown
- Bernie McHugh: Was the boss at the Landfill after Ed Mullen died.

The WITNESS was asked to describe the Folcroft Landfill and to explain how the Landfill was filled.

The WITNESS stated that Tri-County Hauling had a garage and office building at the entrance to the Landfill. He indicated that there was a shack located across the road from the office that was used by Tri-County to log trucks into the Landfill. The WITNESS stated that there was only one way into the Landfill and that was off of Calcon hook road. He indicated by looking at the map that the entrance to the Landfill was just past the Delaware County incinerator. The WITNESS indicated that the fill area started about 100 feet south of the Tri-County garage and was moved in a south direction as the fill area grew. The WITNESS stated that the Folcroft Annex was used for a period of time and then the fill area was moved back to the main Landfill. The WITNESS did not know why the Annex was used or for the length of time the Annex was used.

When asked if there were any special areas on the Landfill to dispose of drums or liquid waste, the WITNESS stated not to his knowledge.

When asked to describe the types of equipment that was used on the Landfill, the WITNESS provided the following.

- Crane: Used to dig holes.
- Front-end loader: Used to move trash and cover trash.
- Bulldozer: Used to move trash and cover trash.

The WITNESS stated that he usually drove a truck during the time period he worked for Tri-County Hauling. He further stated that he drove a roll off truck most of the time. He indicated that he occasionally drove a lugger truck.

When asked to describe any receipts or logs that were used during the course of picking up waste for Tri-County Hauling, the WITNESS stated that at each location he picked up a container there was a receipt signed. He further explained that when he picked up a container he had a ticket with a carbon copy that would name the location of the pick up and the size of the container. The WITNESS stated that he would have someone at the site of the container

sign this ticket. The WITNESS stated that he would keep the original and give the person signing the ticket the carbon copy. The WITNESS stated that he would turn in the tickets he kept to the Tri-County office at the end of his shift.

The WITNESS was asked to identify the locations that he picked up waste from and disposed of the waste at the Folcroft Landfill. The WITNESS was also asked to provide the type of trash container used at each location and to describe the types of waste that was picked up at each location. The WITNESS provided the following.

- Philadelphia Navy Yard (PNY): The WITNESS stated that Tri-County Hauling had a contract with the PNY at different times while the Folcroft Landfill was in use. He indicated that from time to time Tri-County would lose the contract and then regain the contract at the next bid period. He indicated that the contract duration may have been for a one-year period. The WITNESS stated that the PNY had a Landfill on the PNY property located in the area of the back gate of the PNY. When asked the WITNESS stated that this PNY Landfill could have been about the size of a football field. The WITNESS stated that the PNY had trash trucks that picked up waste throughout the PNY and disposed of this waste at this PNY Landfill. The WITNESS stated that Tri-County Hauling kept one and sometimes two 40 cubic yard containers at this location and that he picked up full containers at this location on a daily basis and stated sometimes he would make 8-10 trips each day. The WITNESS stated that the PNY placed the waste from this Landfill into the containers and that these containers were transported to the Folcroft Landfill by Tri-County trucks and the waste was disposed of at the Folcroft Landfill. When asked to describe the waste, the WITNESS stated that he recalls sandblasting residue from ships, which would include paint chips and rust chips. The WITNESS stated that he also recalls pipes and wrapping from pipes, which included loose asbestos. He was unable to describe any other waste.
- University of Pennsylvania (UP): The WITNESS stated that he picked up waste in a 40 cubic yard container that was located in the kitchen area at the UP. He stated this pick up was on an "on call" basis and that he may have made one trip each week. He described the waste as kitchen waste.
- Marriott Hotel: The WITNESS stated that this Marriott is located on City Avenue in Philadelphia. He indicated that he picked up a 40 cubic yard compactor container from this location about 1-2 times each week. He described the waste as kitchen waste.
- Presbyterian Hospital: The WITNESS stated that he picked up a 30 cubic yard container from this location about one time each week. He described the waste as household trash and provided no further description.
- US Mint: The WITNESS stated that the US Mint is located in the area of 4th and Cherry Street. He indicated that he picked up a 40 cubic yard container one time each week. He was unable to provide a description of the waste other than to say it was trash.

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- McCloskey Construction Company: The WITNESS stated Tri-County Hauling provided roll off containers at many of the McCloskey construction sites. The WITNESS stated that this waste would be disposed of at the Folcroft Landfill. The WITNESS provided the following McCloskey construction sites that he recalls picking up 40-yard containers from. 1. I95 construction through Philadelphia. 2. The Spectrum 3. Veteran's Stadium The WITNESS stated the waste consisted of construction debris such as concrete, wood and pipes. He was unable to describe the waste further.
- General Electric (GE): The WITNESS stated that GE is located at 74th and Elmwood Street. He indicated that he picked up a 40 cubic yard compactor container at this location on an on call basis about 1-2 time each week. He indicated that some of the waste included metal and cooper wire.
- MAB Bruder Paints (MAB): The WITNESS stated that MAB was located at 51st Street and Grays Ferry in Philadelphia. He indicated that he picked up a 40 cubic yard compactor container about 1 time each week. The WITNESS stated that MAB also had a tank mounted on wooden skids that was used to hold liquid waste. He indicated that this tank was about the size of a 40 cubic yard container and that he picked up this tank about 3-4 times a month on an on call basis. The WITNESS stated that he picked up the tank in a roll off truck and transported the tank to the Landfill. The tank had a valve in the back and he would open the valve and the liquid would drain out. He described the liquid as having a paint odor. He indicated that after the tank was empty he returned the tank to MAB. When asked the names of any MAB employees that he dealt with, the WITNESS stated that he recalls a Jack, unknown last name, that was present when he picked up the tank.
- Wyath Labs: The WITNESS stated that he picked up a 40-cubic yard open top container on an on call basis. He could not recall the type of waste other than to say the waste was bulk trash.
- Philadelphia Electric Company: The WITNESS stated that he picked up roll off containers and lugger containers at numerous Philadelphia Electric Company locations. The WITNESS provided the following locations. 1. Port Richmond. 2. 23rd and Market Street. 3. Calowhill Street. 4. Philadelphia Electric at Eddystone. The WITNESS stated that he picked up lugger containers at Eddystone and that these containers had water and dead fish as part of the waste. The WITNESS stated that Philadelphia Electric Company also had their own trucks that transported waste to the Folcorft Landfill.
- Nabisco Company: The WITNESS stated that Nabisco is located on Roosevelt boulevard and he picked up a 40 cubic yard open top container at this location on an on call basis. He did not describe the type of waste other than to say it was trash.
- Budd Company: The WITNESS stated that this Company was located in the Hunting Park area. He described the waste as trash.

- Jordan Chemical Company: The WITNESS stated that he picked up a 40 cubic yard container from this location on an on call basis. He stated that the waste had a chemical odor. He could not describe this odor any further.
- Oil Tank Lines: The WITNESS stated that he had observed this company dispose of liquid waste from tanker trucks on the Folcroft Landfill. He did not know what this liquid waste was.
- TV Guide: The WITNESS stated that he picked up a 40 cubic yard roll off container from this location and he described the waste as old paper.
- US Post Office at 30th Street: The WITNESS stated that he picked up a 30-yard compactor container from this location on a daily basis.
- Connelly Container: The WITNESS stated that he picked up an open container at this location. He could not recall the size of the container or the type of waste.
- Maaco: The WITNESS stated that this is the Maaco located in the north east section of Philadelphia. He indicated that he picked up waste from a dumpster at this location. He did not say how often this waste was picked up.
- Rohm & Haas: The WITNESS stated that this company is located in the Port Richmond area of Philadelphia. He stated that he picked up roll off containers for construction companies when this Plant was going through renovations. He could not recall the name of the Construction Company. He indicated that the waste was construction debris such as concrete and wood. The WITNESS stated that this waste also contained excavation waste.
- Boeing Company: The Witness stated that he picked up construction debris/trash from construction contractor companies at this location.

The WITNESS stated that he also picked up roll off containers in New Jersey and Delaware and that he transported this waste to the Folcroft Landfill. He could not recall the specific locations but indicated that the waste came from mostly construction sites.

When asked the names of other waste transporters that he had observed disposing of waste at the Folcroft Landfill the WITNESS provided the following.

- Crumley Waste: The WITNESS stated that Crumley had rear end loader trucks.
- Eastern Industrial: The WITNESS stated Eastern had roll off and rear end loader trucks.
- Hawthorne Demolition Company: The WITNESS stated this Company had tractor-trailers.
- Cleveland Wrecking: The WITNESS stated this company had dump trucks
- Harman Trash: The WITNESS stated this company had roll off trucks.
- Harway Trash: The WITNESS stated this company had roll off and rear end loader trucks.
- Gene Banta: The WITNESS stated this company had roll off trucks.

- Philadelphia Electric: The WITNESS stated this company had dump trucks.
- Barrett Roofing: The WITNESS stated this company used a dump truck.
- General electric: the WITNESS stated that this Company used a dump truck.
- Barcalow Company: The WITNESS stated this Company used dump trucks.
- Oil Tank Lines: The WITNESS stated this Company used tanker trucks.
- Arco/Gulf Refining: The WITNESS stated this Company used dump trucks.
- Bernie McHugh: The WITNESS stated McHugh dump trucks.

When asked the names of other individuals that might have relevant knowledge of waste disposal practices at the Folcroft Landfill, the WITNESS provided the following.

- Thomas Dugan: Tri-County dispatcher
- Tom Carroll: Tri-County dispatcher.
- Jack(last name unknown): Worked at MAB and might have specific knowledge of the waste in the holding tank at that location.
- Joe Beigler: Worked on the Landfill and may still be alive.
- Bernie McHugh: worked on the Landfill
- Bobby Williams: worked on the Landfill.

"I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct."

Executed on _____
(Date)

Signed _____
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